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 Message: Dear Representatives;

I am emailing you my concerns of CN purchasing the EJ & E rails that my back yard is backed up to. Currently the EJ & E have been bad neighbors to my family, and I expect more trains will bring more problems. I've had a rock fly off a train carrying rocks, and it went through my back family room window. The EJ & E denied it was their rock though it was during a big rain/ thunder storm in the middle of the night, and I could not sleep. So I heard the train outside, & heard the glass break. When they denied me reimbursement, I had only been living in this home my deceased husband & I built 19 years ago, had a new born baby & just was shocked that they could be so uncaring. We had to pay for this ourselves, when we had already taken precautions of building a 6 foot stockade fence as soon as we moved in. These trains wake us up at all hours of the night, interrupt television with their noise, but worst of all, is the damage to the interior walls from the noisy vibrations that leave us having to patch walls and ceilings every year. (photos available) When we bought the property back in 1988, we were told the rails would be torn out eventually as this was a seldom used line, so we built a lovely home. Now to learn even more trains are going to be coming through is a nightmare. After my husband passed away November 1st, 2005, I tried to sell my home, but could not get a buyer due to the trains. I've had my taxes lowered by appealing every year because I can't sell for anywhere near a fair price. These trains are terribly loud, vibrating monsters that should never be allowed to increase in numbers. The new high school being built down the street will mean the neighborhood children will have to cross the tracks, and if they are late for school I can imagine them racing to beat the train, and it's going to be tragic. More trains will also cut off my south side of town from the north, where Silver Cross hospital is located. As a Registered Nurse I know how important it is to get to the hospital on time, whether your ready to have a baby or having a life threatening heart attack or stroke. Please do not let CN do this to us. Thank you, Sue Hren